

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Zissimos Mourelatos *et al.*

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Title: SHORT INTERFERING RNA AND MICRO-RNA COMPOUNDS AND METHODS OF DESIGNING, MAKING, AND USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The Specification section of this response beings on page 2.

The Remarks section of this response begins on page 3.